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Test Blackout Here Was Practice For One Tuesday Night



Jack Spainhour Gets Commission

Jack Spainhour, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Spainhour, of this city, has completed his training at Northwestern University and was commissioned as an ensign in the navy last week. Ensign Spainhour arrived Sunday to spend a few days here with his parents before reporting for duty at Norfolk, Va. He traveled by plane to Charlotte and was accompanied from Statesville here by Mrs. Spainhour, who will be with him during his visit here.

Sgt. Hall Transferred

Sgt. Walter Hall, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hall, of Halls Mills, who had been stationed at Fort Moultrie, S. C., has been transferred to Camp Pickett, Va. Sgt. Hall entered the service with the National Guard company here in the fall of 1940.

Pfc. Conley Milam Is Now in Cuba

Pfc. Conley F. Milam, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Milam, of North Wilkesboro route one, is in the marine corps and is now stationed in Cuba. He has been in the service about 17 months.

At St. Petersburg, Fla.

Pvt. Elroy A. Wendland, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Wendland, of North Wilkesboro; Pvt. Con- (Continued on page eight)

O.D.T. Truck Film Will Be Shown On Friday at City Hall

Films to Be Shown at City Hall Will Show How to "Keep Em Rolling"

Truck operators and drivers will have an opportunity to see new slide films demonstrating preventative maintenance at a meeting Friday, Oct. 2, 8 P. M., held in cooperation with the O. D. T. truck conservation campaign. The films, according to W. J. Bason, Sinclair agent, to be shown at the city hall, North Wilkesboro, present information that should be very helpful to (Continued on page four)

Buy Stamps; Trade Them For Bonds

Goss Appeal Will Be On Wednesday

Attorney Eugene Trivette will go to Raleigh Tuesday and on Wednesday will argue two Wilkes cases before the North Carolina supreme court. One of the cases will be the appeal of John Goss, a blind storekeeper at Doughton who was convicted of manslaughter and sentenced three to five years for the fatal shooting of a Mr. Wall at Goss' store at Doughton. Attorney Trivette will also argue the appeal of Roy Davis, who was convicted for assault.

To Begin Revival At Hinshaw Church

A two-weeks revival will begin Sunday night, 7:30, at Hinshaw Street Baptist church in this city. The pastor, Rev. F. F. Day, will be assisted by Rev. W. S. Luck, pastor of Irvin Street Baptist church in Winston-Salem.

Cooperation Here Praised By Officials

State Wide Blackout to Be Held Tuesday Between Nine and Twelve

North Wilkesboro and Wilkesboro had a test blackout Thursday night in preparation for participation in the state wide blackout to be staged Tuesday night sometime between nine and 12 o'clock.

The blackout Thursday night which was tried in several towns, was only a test. The one on Tuesday night will be the real thing—and must be good.

Civilian Defense officials were high in their praise of the test blackout on Thursday night, when the public had no advance warning. The tannery whistle and the sirens sounded the signals and the people lost no time in getting lights out.

Air raid wardens were on their jobs in both towns and performed their tasks efficiently and without delay. Captain Harry Pearson and men of the state guard company were on the job and rendered valuable assistance.

Cooperation on the part of the people was excellent. J. B. McCoy, air raid warden chief, commented Friday.

On Tuesday night the time of the blackout signal will not be known, other than it will be between nine and 12. All the state of North Carolina is to be completely blacked out in this first maneuver to cover the entire state. It will be the last blackout before the army begins calling for them without advance notice. It is to be the real test of the Civilian Defense organization in every county.

The blackout is a war time order and it is essential that all persons comply.

Zig-zag blowing of the tannery whistle and the fire sirens of North Wilkesboro and Wilkesboro will be the blackout signal on Tuesday night and at any future time when a blackout is called, whether it be for practice or because of a real air raid. One long ring of the rural telephone (Continued on page eight)

They Met the Enemy—and He Was Theirs



Up to the time this picture was made, U. S. Flying Fortresses had made 100 daylight raids on Europe without the loss of a plane. This one was attacked by a flock of German Focke-Wulf 190's while returning from an assignment. A cannon shell hit the ship, killing the co-pilot. Two of the engines were put out of action, but the ship came home safely. Crew members here examine the rear turret.

Reds Hold Stalingrad

Russians Kill 4,000 Germans In One Day; U. S. Planes Hit Balkan Capitals; Jap Cruiser Damaged

Moscow.—The Russians drove the Germans from a number of buildings in one sector of battle-scarred Stalingrad yesterday and continued their drive northwest of the Volga River city against the German left flank. It was announced in the midnight communique.

The communique said fierce engagements were in progress in another sector of the city which the Germans had penetrated earlier, and that the weary but still defiant troops were battling for every house.

The intensity of the fighting was indicated by the Soviet claim that more than 4,000 Germans were killed in the Stalingrad area during Sunday's fighting.

The major battle still appeared to be centered northwest of the city where, the communique said, 2,500 Germans were killed and 15 tanks destroyed. Inside the city, apparently in an area penetrated by the Germans Saturday night, about 1,000 Tommy-guns were said to have been slain and a number of prisoners taken. This penetration had been acknowledged in the Sunday noon communique.

Another 600 were killed in the Soviet counterattack in which they regained control of several buildings previously held by the Germans.

Istanbul, Turkey.—Longrange American B-24 bombers, each packing bomb loads ranging up to four tons, in the past two weeks have carried the war straight home to the capital of every Balkan nation at war with the United States—Croatia, Hungary, Rumania and Bulgaria.

Allied authorities here are not telling where the big bombers are taking off, but their range would allow them to hit the Balkan bases in either the Middle East or Russia.

General MacArthur's Headquarters.—Allied fliers, striking repeatedly at Japanese "invasion" bases north of Australia, heavily damaged a large enemy merchantman in the harbor of Rabaul, New Britain, and blasted military facilities in New Guinea and Bougainville Islands. It was announced today.

A communique from General Douglas MacArthur's headquarters said heavy bombers scored a direct hit and near miss on a 15,000-ton vessel in Rabaul harbor Sunday night, causing heavy black smoke to pour from its stern and amidships. The attack on shipping in Rabaul harbor was the second reported there in the last two days.

Schools Junior Army For Metal Salvage

Baptists In Meeting At Zion Hill

Story Re-elected Moderator; Resolution Against Liquor Passed by Body

Baptists of the Brushy Mountain association in annual session at Zion Hill Baptist church at Boomer passed resolutions endorsing the proposal to allow young women to attend Wake Forest College.

The resolution was introduced by J. H. Whicker, Sr., local attorney, in his report on Christian education.

The association also passed a strong resolution in opposition to the sale of liquor.

T. E. Spory was re-elected moderator. (Continued on page four)

North Wilkesboro Building & Loan Ahead of Quota

The North Wilkesboro Building and Loan Association has purchased War Savings Bonds in excess of its quota in connection with the one hundred million dollar War Bond Purchase Program now being sponsored by the United States Savings and Loan League, and the North Carolina Building and Loan League, according to a report from J. B. Williams, Secretary, received at State Committee headquarters today.

The national program calls for the purchase by all Building and Loan Associations of the country of one hundred million dollars in bonds between June 30 and December 31. A quota of \$1,915,000 has been assigned to the North Carolina Association, and in turn quotas have been broken down by counties and assignments made to the individual Associations.

Has Good Record



Corporal Harold A. Proffit, who is attached to an army air force squadron somewhere in the Caribbean area, has an excellent record in the service. Corporal Proffit, a son of Mrs. A. J. Proffit, of Purlear, entered the service on August 20, 1941, as a volunteer and the greater part of his time in service has been outside of the continental United States. Cpl. Proffit says he is willing to do his part, whether it be behind the gun or behind the desk, because "we have a war to fight and a war to win." He urges people at home to buy bonds to "keep 'em flying."

School Drive Is To Begin October 5th

Children Are Mobilized For Important Part In the War Program

The boys and girls of North Wilkesboro and of Wilkes county are part of a National Junior Army which on October 5th will begin a great attack.

The attack is against the worst enemy within our borders today. The enemy could stop our factories from making guns and ships and tanks and planes. The enemy could prevent these weapons from being made by preventing manufacture of the steel out of which part of those weapons are made.

That enemy is starvation of the steel mills.

But the school pupils of our nation, organized in a great Junior Army, are going to feed the mills. They are going to find and bring together the things out of which tanks and ships are made—things like rusty pipe, broken bed springs, air guns that won't shoot any more. Around North Wilkesboro and in the county, that is junk, scrap. But after it has gone through the mills it is bombs for the Nazis and bullets for the Japs.

Commanding General of the North Carolina Division of the Junior Army of school boys and girls is Clyde Ervin, state superintendent of public instruction. The regiment in North Wilkesboro is headed by Colonel Paul S. Cragan, County Superintendent C. B. Eller is Colonel of the Wilkes County Regiment.

Each school principal is Major in the Junior Army. Under each Major comes the Captains, the teachers. School boys and girls of each school room will be the Lieutenants, Sergeants, Corporals and Privates of the Junior Army. Those who do well will be promoted, just like real soldiers in the fighting Army.

A fighting Army uses maps and scouts every foot of ground. Members of the Junior Army will scout the same way for the pieces of junk. From map plans, each will be given a place to scout. So the Junior Army will scout all of America, each street and road, each city block and country (Continued on page eight)

Dr. Branch Heard At Friday Meeting Of Kiwanis Club

Director of Oral Hygiene for State Health Department Addresses Club Here

Dr. Ernest A. Branch, director of Oral Hygiene for the state health department, delivered an inspiring address Friday noon before the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis Club.

Prior to the program President J. B. Williams commented on the splendid meeting of the board of directors held the previous evening, during which the matter of holding a tonsil clinic was discussed. He also stated that several members had contributed to the milk fund.

J. R. Hix, president-elect, and W. K. Sturdivant were named delegates to the Carolina district convention at Pinehurst October 25-27. R. G. Finley and R. W. Gwyn were named alternates. At the meeting Captain Ed (Continued on page eight)

35 Miles Per Hour Is New Speed Limit

Joseph B. Eastman, director of the Office of Defense Transportation, on Saturday ordered a national speed limit of 35 miles per hour to conserve tires and gasoline.

It was also ordered that gasoline rationing on a national basis would go into effect about November 22. Gasoline rationing now applies only to seventeen eastern seaboard states.

In addition, tires on all cars must be submitted every 60 days after rationing starts for overhaul inspection to insure that proper care is given them.

The 35-mile speed limit on all highways and streets was decreed in an official ODT order.

It did not carry enforcement or penal provisions but Eastman said he would request the governors of all states to make it effective "through proclamation or otherwise." The governors will be asked to call upon state and local officials for strict enforcement.

The speed limit was ordered effective October 1 for all vehicles except trucks and buses operated by common carriers over regular scheduled routes and for the latter October 15.

Motor vehicles operated by the armed forces or under their direction were exempted, as were cars driven in emergencies "for the protection and preservation of life and health or for public safety." The latter must be held to "reasonable" speeds consistent with the emergency existing.

PATrons are requested to favor the company by criticism and suggestion concerning its service

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Please convey following message to all theatre owners in your town: For obvious reasons it is considered of utmost importance that the national September quota be reached, but unless new sales can be stimulated during the next few days, present indications point to our falling short of the September national quota, according to telegraphed information from the War Savings staff today. I realize that you and your co-workers have labored hard, but feel that emergency justifies asking you to exert yourselves even further. Every persistent effort must be made to transform all theatre and other bond orders and pledges into completed purchases in time for money to clear Federal Reserve Banks before September 30. Follow through with your issuing agents to assure cash reaching Federal Reserve Banks in time for September tally. Even if your city and county September quotas have been achieved you are urged to press on without letup to aid the national effort. Make special effort to have movie theatre managers join you in this drive. Publicity due to motion picture industry participation has been splendid, but effect on public will be unfortunate if this cannot be translated into sales sufficient to meet quota. Know I can count on you in this emergency. Thanks.

C H ROBERTSON State Administrator War Savings Staff

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